# Bullitt County Public Schools

**Energy Management Program** 





## Step 1: Make a Commitment

- Energy Manager to Guide the Program
- Created a District Energy Team
  - Maintenance
  - District Technology Coordinator
  - Custodial Representative
  - > Teachers
  - Principal
- Instituted an Energy Plan
  - > Approved by Board
- Became an Energy Star Partner

## Step 2: Assess Performance & Opportunities

- Energy Tracking and Accounting
- Building Energy Audits
  - > Evaluate:
    - Lighting
    - Plug Loads
    - > HVAC Equipment
    - Kitchen Equipment
    - Building Envelope

## **Energy Tracking and Accounting**

- Database tracking over 115 electric, gas and water meters
- Check for Billing Errors and Unused Meters
  - > \$11,900 of credits to accounts
  - > \$11,000 of future avoided costs
- ➤ Make Sure Accounts are on Appropriate Rates
  - ➤ Hebron, Central Office, and Bullitt Lick. Combined, these changes will save approximately \$17,900 annually.
- Compare Energy Usage to Other Schools (kBtu/SF)

## You Can't Manage What You Don't Monitor



Elementary School Natural Gas Usage

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## Step 3: Set Goals

- Identify Low/No Cost Measures
  - >HVAC and Controls
  - **≻**Lighting
  - ➤ Behavioral Changes/Conservation
  - Establish Energy Teams in Schools
- Identify Capital Improvement Measures
  - ▶ Performance Contract
    - ➤ Lighting, Upgrade Controls, Efficient HVAC Equipment

# Steps 4 & 5: Create and Implement Action Plan

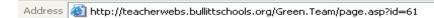
- Items to Address by Building/Maintenance Staff/Energy Manager
  - ➤ Time Clocks, Programmable Thermostats, Exhaust Fans
  - Exit Signs
  - Incandescent to Compact Fluorescent Light Bulbs
  - > Remove Bulbs from Vending Machines
- Performance Contract
  - ➤ Phase I wrapping up

# Steps 4 & 5: Create and Implement Action Plan (continued)

- Raise Awareness
  - Initial Memo Sent District Wide
  - Shut-down Checklists Before Each Break
  - Website
  - Mascot Contest
  - Energy Star Change a Light Campaign
  - Regular Energy Walkthroughs
    - ➤ Meet with Principals and Custodians
- Encourage Schools to Start Energy Teams
  - Workshops
  - District Awards Program



## Student Energy Teams



#### Green team

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#### about us

We are the MWMS Green Team, also known as the Energy Watch Dogs. Our team is a group of students from Team 007. We are led by our science teacher, Mrs. Carver. Every classroom has been supplied with recycling bins. We also conduct secret audits to test how well teachers and students are conserving energy. This will help our school save money. We are doing a plug-load study to see how much energy each computer and other electronics use.

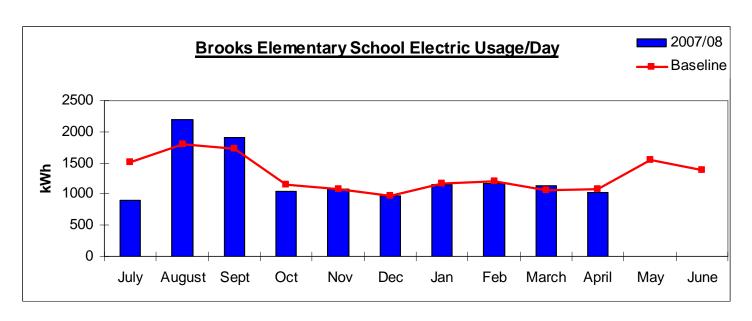




## Steps 6 & 7: Evaluate Progress and Recognize Achievement

- Track Utility Usage Monthly
- Revise Energy Plan and Action Plan as Needed
- Recognize Individual School Successes
- Apply for Recognition Through Energy Star's Portfolio Manager
- Encourage Schools to Get Involved with NEED or Green & Healthy Schools Program

| Brooks Electric Usage/Day (kWh/Day) |         |               |          | Weather Data |     |          |      |
|-------------------------------------|---------|---------------|----------|--------------|-----|----------|------|
| Month                               | 2007/08 | % Change      | Baseline | 2007/08      |     | Baseline |      |
|                                     |         | from Baseline |          | CDD          | HDD | CDD      | HDD  |
| July                                | 904     | -40%          | 1519     | 397          | 0   | 429      | 0    |
| August                              | 2200    | 23%           | 1793     | 629          | 0   | 389      | 5    |
| Sept                                | 1899    | 10%           | 1732     | 350          | 3   | 218      | 17   |
| Oct                                 | 1035    | -9%           | 1143     | 149          | 107 | 47       | 167  |
| Nov                                 | 1076    | -1%           | 1087     | 2            | 443 | 4        | 436  |
| Dec                                 | 979     | 1%            | 973      | 0            | 712 | 0        | 910  |
| Jan                                 | 1152    | -2%           | 1171     | 2            | 935 | 0        | 853  |
| Feb                                 | 1170    | -3%           | 1209     | 0            | 776 | 0        | 703  |
| March                               | 1133    | 6%            | 1067     | 0            | 558 | 9        | 541  |
| April                               | 1030    | -5%           | 1087     | 30           | 237 | 39       | 205  |
| May                                 | _       | _             | 1546     | 0            | 0   | 164      | 68   |
| June                                |         |               | 1391     | 0            | 0   | 352      | 0    |
| Average                             | 1258    | -4%           | 1310     |              |     | 1648     | 3902 |



## Program Success

- Energy/Green Teams at 13 Schools
- Improved Energy Conservation Behaviors and Attitudes
- Portfolio Manager Stats: Overall Average Energy Reduction of 11.8%, Average Score increased from 29 to 41.
- Financial (2007/08)

Electricity - \$180,000

Natural Gas - \$26,000

**TOTAL - Over \$206,000 in Avoided Costs!** 

### Questions?

